COMPARISON AREA (acres) without pond with preserves on boundary Car park spaces	CP Lake 56.5 11.5 60 off street	Rasmussen 104.0 100.0 160.0 many on/off street	Pond
VISITS			
per week	200	600+	
per year	10000	30000	
	over used	under used	
limits	parking space	NONE	l
ACCESS	4	4	
Vehicle	1 0	1 6	
foot/bicycle	YES	NO	l .
handicapped access MAINTENANCE	TES	I NO	
Cost per year	\$50,000?	\$2,000?	I
Volunteer	NO	YES	
ACTIVITIES AND FACILITIES	110	120	
Trails	1	10	1
Traile	1.1 mile	6 miles	
Walking	YES	YES	
Dog Walking	NO	YES	
Running	YES	YES	
Cycling	NO	YES	
Tennis	YES	NO	
Pickle Ball	YES	NO	
Disc Golf	YES	NO	
Playground	YES	NO	
Toilets	YES	NO	
Kiosk	YES	NO	
Picnic tables, benches etc	YES	NO	
Informal picinic areas	NO	YES	
Trash Cans	YES	NO	
PHOTOGRAPHY			
View sheds	limited	many	
Wild flowers	limited	many	
Birds	many	many	l
ENVIRONMENT	Ott	E00#	
Houses - proximity	Oft	500ft 2500ft	
Roads/Traffic - major road proximity	250ft		
Other preserves - proximity	none	boundary 60 acres	
HABITAT		00 40.00	•
Tree Varieties	few	many	1
Plant Varieties	few	many	
Birds Varieties	60+	60+	
BOUNDARY PRESERVES	none	60 acres	8 rare and endangered species
			could spread given the space

Recommended Parks and Recreattion Acres per Head of Population Reference: Cameron Park CSD Parks and Recreation Master Plan Update Final 2014

for Other Parks for Nature Parks Cameron Park Population	5 5 18	thousand		
AREA OF PARKS LISTED ON CP CSD	WEBSITE			
Cameron Park Lake Christa McAuliffe Park Dave West Park Eastwood Park		Other 56.5 7.1 6.2 2.2	Nature	Total
Gateway Park			13.3	
Dog Park Northview Park Rasmussen Park Royal Park		5.2 10.1	4.9 10.4	
noyan an	Total Area	87.3	28.6	115.9
	20400/202	4.0	1.6	6.4
	acres/pop	4.9	1.6	6.4
Area of Lake in CP Lake park	45.0			
Total without lake		42.3	28.6	70.9
	acres/pop	2.4	1.6	3.9
Area of Rasmussen Pond Area of Rasmussen Meadows Total without Lake and Pond	4.0 100.0	42.3	128.6	170.9
rotal William Zalto alia Folia				
	acres/pop	2.4	7.1	9.5
Area Contiguous BLM land parcels Total	60.0		188.6	
	acres/pop		10.5	

First Name	Last Name	Days per month	Comments by Vistors to Rasmussen Pond
David	Evraiff	1	Important watershed for local and transient wildlife. However, there needs to be enforcement of restrictions on use by dirt bikes/motorcycles and off-leash animals to maintain this space for everyone. At a minimum, the County should impose restrictions on how the lake and surrounding area can be modified if developed while maintaining a public space and wildlife space.
Marla Linda Angela	Spector Quinn Jackson	4 5 6	It's beauty and calm. The wildlife The biggest thing I appreciate about Rasmussen Pond is the natural beauty and wildlife. Going there all year round and seeing the trees and vegetation as they change with the seasons is precious, as most of the parks in the area are managed lawns and ball fields. I also love the grinding rock on the property and the connection to native history. I also appreciate that I feel safe walking my dogs there by myself. I would like to see this property remain for public use.
Annette	Taylor	1	It has wonderful trees and plants and a great walking path and pond is great for different animals!
CHERYL	HAYES- BARTLET T	10	There are so many developed areas in Cameron Park. Can we not keep some areas developed for the citizens that enjoy the outdoors and appreciate the wildlife? Please don't develop the area around Rasmussen Pond
Dennis	Romary	1	nc
Dan Diana	Hunt Haslam	1 4	Having Open space and undeveloped land is not unique except that it is disappearing. We need to preserve natural space for education, mental and physical health. Having such space actually increasing the desirability of the neighborhood.
Hannah	Danto- Dorafsha	1	It's easily accessible and a hidden gem in our community. On my first trip there I saw a hawk perched atop a tree, families fishing together, people walking and animals enjoying the area. It's a biodiversity environment that we are lucky to have so close by.
Dana Andrea	Elmore Duane	10	Being able to access trails to run & walk in nature is always a much needed mental reset. I head out early in the morning when the birds, rabbits, deer, coyote, turkey, swans are out and playing. There is a magical essence about this land. It rejuvenates my soul, starts my day grounded & connected to the place I love & have called home for 32 years. To loose Rasmussen pond, the animals & the untouched land will be devastating to the community who cherishes it's open space. It is a beloved area that doesn't exist anywhere else in Cameron Park. We have pushed ourselves onto every piece of land that isn't some how deemed special because of something rare & unique - but that is exactly what this land means to those of us who spend 3-7 days per week on the trails, walking, running & loving the land, appreciating it's beauty & the animals that call it home. I believe collectively we can do something to stop the urban spread onto land that should remain for everyone's enjoyment
Jennifer	Beebe	20	Wonderful open space to walk and love observing the wildlife

Terrie	Ritter	1	A beautiful, natural, and rare place within a neighborhood that provides respite to both people and animals. California needs to preserve such places with water!
ROBERT	PAAUWE	1	I don't think it is unique, just that it is a nice place to walk that is close by. I just found out about this area earlier this year. It would be nice if it could be kept as open space.
Jennifer Red	Calderaro Carey	1 10	Beautiful open space for out community. I have been walking with my dogs all around the area of Rasmussen Pond for over 20 years. It has been a little piece of heaven that I have enjoyed for so many years! I love that when you are there, you feel like you are far from humanity. It is close to home, but when I am there I feel like I am far from home and in nature. I love seeing the wildlife and the beautiful birds around and on the pond. Please save this precious area from development, we & the wildlife need it to remain as it is, more now than ever!!
TIM Cathy	DAUST Daust	5 7	The pond and surrounding open space is beautiful. My husband and I lover walking there. The swans in the pond are so lovely to watch.
Valerie	Engelman n	3	It is wonderful to see so many people enjoying this space. I have seen kids ride bikes, teens with their fishing poles, bike riders, couples of all ages walking, photographers year round taking pictures. Every time we are here everyone is so polite. It just brings out the best in people. Our county is becoming developed so quickly that it would be nice to hold onto some of these outdoor spaces for people to enjoy.
Yvonne	Edwards	25	Its the one space in Cameron Park that has access to miles of walking, running and biking trails. There are natural beauty spots on a variety of trails throughout the land, like wild flowers, the pond and animals,
Sheila	Goetze	1	There are Indian grinding rocks near the pond. Our grandchildren used to love to "hike" over to the pond and see the rocks and feed the wildlife floating on the pond. It made for wonderful memories.
Bethany	Callonea	30	Nature in its best integrity. Observing the homes of the wild animals and loving watching them all thrive.
Rob Vera	Buckner Nicholas	5 20	I love to be able to walk out my front door and within minutes find myself immersed in the beauty of the natural world. I love seeing the swan family and the ducks swimming around like they own the place. In fact, I love this place so much that I pick up trash there several times a month so that i can protect this lovely land for future generations. And, have you all seen the grinding rocks near the pond? What a shame it would be to cover them with a house and to dismiss the contributions of prior peoples who lived there.
Jessica Sierra	Rodrigue Christens en	8 10	nc We have nothing like it here in Cameron park
Erica Tricia	Harrell Busalacch i	1 4	A beautiful an great area for family and friends and kids to enjoy This is a quaint neighborhood area that needs to be preserved and we certainly don't need more residents.
linda	grandlund	30	It's an amazing piece of property that we take our dog walking daily, run a couple times a week and enjoy the pond and wildlife We live in the cameron woods neighborhood
Nicole	Scroggins	7	It's a great place for families to ride bikes and enjoy the outdoors.

Keeli	Rose	7	This would be a huge loss for our county! We do not need anymore huge housing tracts especially when we are not able to substain our current residents due to drought and fires. Our children are losing areas to be able to play outdoors go on walks with their families and this is one major reason a majority of us live in El Dorado county is the nature and open spaces. We do not support any housing development
Anne	Brown	1	It's a beautiful place to walk, relax and enjoy nature.
Karen	Genovese	15	There are walking trails, beautiful nature scenes for taking pictures, love
Raien	Genovese	13	watching the ducks and swans on the pond. I also have seen Native American
			grinding holes on the land, priceless!
М	Reynolds	3	The Native American grinding rocks. Pretty special on the nw side of the pond
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Sally	Traub	4	The trails are so beautiful and one can enjoy a peaceful walk right from the neighborhood. There are few of these left. What we don't need here is more houses and by the way, where is the water coming from for all of these new homes?
Christine	Bredfeldt	8	It's a beautiful spot for walking and cycling close to home.
Michael	Rowe	8	Tons of birds and wild animals (deer, coyotes). I walk and ride here regularly.
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Justin	Holst	5	Let's keep at least a little bit of a natural park for residents to enjoy.
Julie	Sanchez	1	Stop the development of more housing and keep our natural resources available
			to residents who move out of crowded cities to enjoy open space.
Hope	Weston	25	It's one of the only open spaces to take our dog for a walk, along with our son!
			We love being out in nature & there's less and less all the time!
Tracy	Doyle	1	Beautiful open space. A place right in our community to be in nature. Walking dogs and enjoying being outdoors.
Debra	Debra	4	Open space for recreation is an important part of the semi-rural character of this
			area. Preserving this area improves the desirability of living here.
Ashley	Brown	4	It's a great spot to take my kids so they can run around, fish, climb, etc.
Brandi	McNally	5	nc
Alyssa	Nadine	4	Rasmussen Pond provides a healthy habitat for animals and people in the
			surrounding communities. There are swans and ducks who nest here. Cool
			unique trees and lots of room to explore and get some fresh air out in nature.
			Great place to get some exercise or walk your dogs. It's nice to have a large
			area to roam and explore without being too close to people especially during
			COVID. It's important to have a place like Rasmussen Pond. Selling this land would be a huge loss for our community.
Ryan	Skaggs	3	It's an important part of our local ecosystem and a key green space in the
rtyan	Okaggs	J	Cameron Park community for residents to enjoy, exercise, and be in nature.
			cameron rank commanity for residente to onjoy, exercise, and so in ridial c.
Bret	Crick	4	It is a beautiful oasis that is quite and peaceful. It's very nice to walk out my door
			and walk to the park and back to the pond. I like all the wildlife, flowers, grasses
			and trees. It's nature at it's best. We all need more places like this kept in there
			natural state to escape real life and regroup and to be one with nature. We don't
			need more homes. We need more community.
Danielle	Eastwood	5	nc
Stephen	Sellers	1	Accessible open space near to home. Attractive to local fauna. A place to find
		6 -	some solitude which is diminishing in our local area. A respite.
Victoria	Kurylenko	25	It is a gem and the best place to rejuvenate, pray, walking and enjoying family
Lica	Home	10	time.
Lisa	Hogan	16	nc

Margaret	Davis	1	The area is nice and peaceful. It is another option of having a place to walk in Cameron Park.
Robert	Taylor Jr.	20	It's a serene piece of land. Which should be turned into a park. To keep some natural open space between Northview and the Beezer developments. The pond is a great habitat for local wildlife. It's a great buffer between the two developments. I have enjoyed it since I moved here in 2001
Msry	Richardso n	3	This is the only place near our subdivision where we can quickly and easily get into nature to relax and exercise. And where the dog can run off leash and be a dog. Also love watching ducklings in the spring, and now the swan signets. Would so hate to lose this bit of nature so many can enjoy.
Marcy Michael	Elaine Castelli	10 5	Wildlife and quiet retreat! Please don't destroy wildlife and a family location for profits. This is not ok by any of us and find somewhere else to build
Nancy	Kemp	10	It is one of the only truly natural places in Cameron Park/Shingle Springs where you can walk on a dirt path and enjoy the peace and beauty. You feel like you are really out in nature with no cars, no visible houses, and lots of birds and other wild creatures. Please save this wonderful place!
Tamra	Scalese	1	nc
Gina	Goodman	4	nc
Jeff	Neves	10	Incredible area to enjoy open space and the pond.
Jennifer	Elmer	1	The pictures above are clear how beautiful this park is. There are already so many other living spaces being built. We should save the places that haven't had anything built on them
Pamela	Brandon	4	A place to enjoy the Beauty and serenity of the lake and birds for our town
Mary	Haines	14	This area has provided our family with many activities. We have lived here since 2007 and we walk our dogs almost daily back there. We have enjoyed walking the trails and watching the activity which the pond provides. The tranquility of this area has a wonderful affect on my psyche. I hope that this area can continue to stay as it is for its beauty.
Elena	Eder	1	This area has provided our family with many activities. We have lived here since 2007 and we walk our dogs almost daily back there. We have enjoyed walking the trails and watching the activity which the pond provides. The tranquility of this area has a wonderful affect on my psyche. I hope that this area can continue to stay as it is for its beauty.
Rose	Vigil	1	The wildlife and the peacefulness of the place
Adria	Bossard	6	nc
Tina	Freedman	4	As a family we enjoy walking together and enjoying the trails around the pond and surrounding area. The children love exploring the wildlife and getting out in nature away from the TV and Tablets. Every year my extended family visit and always look forward to walking together there. We always look forward to seeing the swans and their new babies. Please protect this wonderful space for future generations.
Jennifer	Мссоу	4	This is an ecological system which needs to be preserved, The US Forest Service has identified indigenous species of toads that are on the extinction list. Please support the efforts to conserve our open space areas.
Corinne	Boren	1	It's always been a quiet, beautiful location that my husband and I have enjoyed walking our dogs, taking our kids for a nature walk and just a beautiful place to take a break and enjoy being outside. There is no other place like it in Cameron park. I would hate to see Cameron Park lose this lovely place.

Betty Ann	Beaucha mp	3	I visit and walk there often. Preserved spaces are more needed now than ever and development would degrade the beautiful area. We do not need more houses in this area for some developer's greed.
Holly	Bernath	3	nc
Jesse	Lamantia	5	It is an undeveloped piece of nature tucked into our community, and should remain as such. There is too much residential and commercial development happening in every open lot, let's not ruin a beautiful nature area that our residents currently enjoy.
Gary D	Barker	1	nc
Bryen	Grandlund	20	
Ashley	Bianchini	15	nc
Leslie	Almeida	12	It's a beautiful area, unique to Shingle Springs/Cameron Park. It has been especially nice the last 1 1/2 years, to go to for a walk with the dog, away from people. It's such a peaceful place.
Ted	Bragdon	15	Very peaceful area to walk to and enjoy nature. So many people can visit this area by walking from home.
Lisa	Thompson	4	The variety of habitats - grassland, chaparral, oak woodland, wetlands. Also, I go bird watching there and often see species that are not present in my suburban neighborhood, even though we have a lot of trees. Clearly the Rasmussen Pond area is supporting a wider range of species than an area dominated by housing. Thank you very much for organizing this preservation effort!
WENDI	Gulbranse n	4	nc
Kim	Anderson	9	nc
Catharine		1	Unique area that is a great place to walk and get away from everything
Sandra	Fisher	1	omquo aroa tratio a groat piaco to main aria got aria; mom overytimig
Alix	Nakabaya shi	2	
Nancy	Lerch	2	Its a gem in the center of crowded housing. Its a close getaway walk
Marissa	Crane	1	While I do not frequent the pond, it is an amazingly beautiful and serene location that I know I can use when needed.
Mike	Lyster	5	This is one of, if not the ONLY, remaining open land in Cameron Park where people can recreate. The opportunities to connect trails from one side of Cameron Park to the other via this property are very unique and do/can contribute greatly to the overall quality of life in this town.
Ellie	Madsen	10	Cameron Park's unique beauty wrapped up into such a small area. Beautiful trees, hikes, and animals. No where else in Cameron Park has this beauty, and it cannot be replaced.
Kathy	Ryan	3	The wildlife it supports.
Jennifer	Wynn	2	Nice trail and beautiful views
Debby	Seeley	1	
Juri	Firth	5	Peaceful and beautiful natural space in the middle of residential are.
Devin	Harris	5	Wildlife, natural beauty, open space
Rob	Harris	5	Open space hiking trails, wild life, only place like it in Cameron Park within one mile of 1000 houses
Arie	Schalkoor d	31	Family friendly. Fantastic wildlife. Have seen or recorded deer, bobcats, skunks, mountain lion, coyotes, king snakes, swans, herons, wood ducks, and too many to mention other birds.

Cate	Borrego	10	It's such a beautiful piece of land, and actually one of the reasons we bought our home here 10 years ago. We love not only how breath taking that area is, but to have such a gorgeous area to hike around that is literally in our backyard is just amazing. Both of our children learned to fish at that pond, and we love watching the swans that have lived there for a few years now. As a family, we would be so sad to lose something so special. Even our out of town family that comes to visit loves hiking back there. We always do that as a family to go out and get some exercise. It's so special!
Lynn	Castro	20	I like the openness it has and you can walk and see nature with my kids. It's a great place where we take our kids fishing for fun, and they see what nature has to offer. It gets us to explore nature.
Jamie	Low	1	We have few places left near our communities where the public can go to enjoy a natural landscape. If we do not preserve these spaces now, they will be forever lost.
Kristen	Trisko	1	
Mike	Engelman n	5	The ability to use that land for a big variety of activities like fishing, cycling, and walking. It's also pleasant to see so many people enjoying that land every day.
Mike	Goodman	4	Would be a tragedy to lose the ability to visit such a nice natural space so close to our existing residential area.
Kristen	Myers	2	natural walking trails, wildlife
Anne	Hernande z	5	open air, not developed. we do not need any more homes. we all moved here to get away from the city. The traffic has and is becoming more dangerous on Cameron Park Dr. with no sign or light at Mira Loma. The one biggest concern is WATER. There is not enough for all the new construction and We don't want to fund all the new pools and landscaping going in these new homes.
Bryen	Grandlund	25	It's visited by people everyday. It's home to a variety or wildlife. All the wildlife in the area use the pond and the surrounding land for bedding and food. Turkeys and deer live at the pond along with swans and ducks. Many of the animals in the area depend on the pond for food and water. We would lose a lot of beautiful wildlife in this area as this would push them away and take away their homes.
Gaye	Derusso	25	Nice trails. Swans. Nature. We ride out horses here. There are no other trails to ride in the area so we will not be able to ride anymore.
Kim	Erthal	22	It is safe and fun for horseback riding too. A rarity to find.
Sharon	Koenig	1	There are great trails there.
Gracie	Forrest	12	Everything
Charlotte	Mrozinski	30	I take my horse on trails up there and enjoy the views. Please do not get rid of it or sell it
chris	bossard	20	The setting and proximity to neighborhoods and Rasmussen Park is a great way to enjoy Cameron Park.
Larry	Sherman	25	I live at the end of Sultana Ct. The Northwest corner of the property is adjacent to my home. This property brings peace and serenity to our community.
Lydia Nancy	Wilton Schnaidt	30 1	The grinding rocks. Serenity. The area is reminiscent of Cameron Park before all the development occurred. It is a "wonderful place to live" and we need to preserve the locations left that offer great places to refresh! Please protect this area from development! Thank you1

Cheryl	Holden	15	This is a place where we can ride horses in our neighborhood. Many people use this area and are friendly. It is well maintained and safe. There needs to be open space in our area.
Marc	Kriegsma n	15	It's so tranquil and the terrain looks like any country or climate. People walk dogs, ride bikes, horses It's such a natural place for recreation, unlike any other place in Cameron Park.
Phil	Christians en	1	It's a unique space to our area and it's delightful to walk around, to see the birds and other creatures and to find a quick respite from busy life.
Martha	Peterson	3	Natural beauty & quiet location. Listen.
Bryson	Pearson	20	The area for kids to play and exercise. Beautiful trees and trails. Fishing, bird watching.
Ann	Clark	25	Easily accessible on foot without the need to cross major traffic areasnot many areas like this that are nearby.
			It connects to 2 community parks and 3 local neighborhoods, reducing the need to drive everywhere!It is host to so many native wildflowers. I anticipate every change and love taking photos of them!
			Wildlife is abundant and can be viewed all hours of the day. As a 20-year
			resident of the area, I worry about the displacement of these animals if access to their water supply is limited.
Lynda	Moore	7	The availability to the neighborhood and kids in the area do enjoy nature in a
,			safe public location. It's a beautiful small spot with many surrounding homes and families that enjoy the trails daily. It's home to unique wildlife you don't see in
Andrea	Trombley	20	everyday neighborhoods. A life saver for many in the area. We moved to this neighborhood because of the pond. It is so relaxing and
Allulea	Trombley	20	beautiful and a great place for family walks.
Mishelle	Vettrr	1	boadinar and a groat place for farmly walke.
Danielle	Iodence	15	Everything, it's a beautiful area.
Jila	Fishman	4	I feel so very thankful to have been able to watch several species of birds raise their young in and around Rasmussen pond throughout the last few years. To have such a wonderful place to watch wildlife so close to home is amazing.
Phani	Morgan	5	
Joel	Fishman	8	We enjoy visiting and walking Rasmussen Pond for the wildlife.
0001	i iomian	J	Red Tail Hawks often nest near the pond, and we enjoy watching the young hawks grow. We watch many ducks, geese, and swans as well Many birds
Shylia	Boyd	5	raise their young on or near this pond. It's wild life and beauty
Jenny	Snell	14	We love the wild life and the beauty especially in the spring when the pond is full.
,	21.0		We love hiking. We don't need more housesno more people, were short on water and resources already. Keep Cameron Park rural please!
Staci	Allen	30	It's natural beauty…lots of gorgrpus nature surrounding it.
Lynelle	Langlois	6	
Heide	Swank	12	The Open Space, the Wild Life, We need open Space, the find Peace of Mind, a quiet place to to relax and
Tank	Dawasas	4	Meditate. Get away from the hectic way of Life.
Tony	Borrego	4	Great piece of wild land separating sudbdivisions with great fishing. Home to many animals including foxes, bobcats, coyotes, etc.
Yolanda	Hignite	1	Not that it is unique, but nature at its best and like that it is nestled where you don't see it from a freeway or well traveled road. A place to go and get away
Jennifer	Clute	15	from the hustle and bustle of city life and work. The nature
Kelly	Souza	1	Only outdoor water feature in Cameron Park accessible for the public.
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Linda Kristin	Makely Kinyon	4 18	We need more open space not more housing
Tony Jordyn	Cook Parsons	3 6	The history and nature I have lived in a handful of areas, and the more suburban, the more precious and alluring a slice of nature is. But woods that have been stripped down and leave only a creek hidden on the edge of a neighborhood, or only one original tree (if that). Sometimes those natural remnants are hard to access or are narrowed down so much that getting to and from them is isn't safely feasible. Rasmussen Pond is still genuine, natural land. A place that isn't buzzing with lights or shoved between buildings. Even with just the dirt\gravel paths, it isn't over-trafficked. It's real.
Terrence	Clark	20	Wildlife and natural trails
Katie Jamie	Bassard Carroll	10 15	Tucked up in the hills, please preserve some of the beauty up here!!! The land back there is beautiful as a family we enjoy walking back there and the beautiful nature.
Molly Stan	Wright Wright	20 20	The tranquility and beauty of the pond and surrounding land and oaks The natural beauty wildlife.
Kimberly	Wood	1	Please keep it open Tranquil, peaceful area without a bunch of homes surrounding it.
Robert	Taylor Jr.	20	One of the last open spaces within walking distance of my residence.
Lynnee	Boyes	1	Open, undeveloped space that is accessible to the public.
Nicholas	Talley	20	The Rasmussen Pond area is an oasis in the Cameron Park community. While other parks exist in the area, none have the diverse landscape while still maintaining a safe distance (5 min walking) from civilization. Rasmussen Pond also houses diverse animal and plant life that would be
April	Talley	28	displaced if the land were to be developed. You can go out to the park and feel like you are somewhere else. In the middle of a city, you can feel alone or simply at peace with nature
Ted	Christy	23	Beautiful wild area that is readily accessible.
Levi	Cambridg e	6	I love enjoying the trails, the natural areas, and the space that is a refuge for wildlife. The stands of oaks, open fields, and the pond provide the opportunity to relax and set down the stresses of our busy world. While I fully support the owners right to sell their property, it would be wonderful if the CSD would be able to preserve part or all of the area for the citizens of Cameron Park. Let us know what we can do!
Dennis	Cashman	10	When I am visiting the Rasmussen Pond Area I feel like I have all of a sudden arrived in a Naturally beautiful space. Encircled by forests on both sides, with it's peaceful pond in the middle, and vistas of meadow grass against blue skies, it immediately calms me
Taylor	Cox	3	It is such a beautiful and loved place by myself and many others. I have so many memories there and would hope that nothing would ever happen to it.
Laura	Hull	1	
Paula	Bertram	1	Provides open space in the midst of suburban sprawl. Possible important wildlife corridor/habitat.
David	Hull	10	The variety of wildlife in a near proximity to a populated area. The beauty and quiet of the sunrise and sunsets and the opportunity to watch and see the changing of the seasons.
Fathom	Provencal	1	
Fathom	Provencal	7	grinding holes

Eugenia	Sorokin	20	This area holds a variety of rare plants that need to be protected as well as old Native American grinding holes that have been there for thousands of years. It would be unacceptable to ever destroy and build over this land. Go do it somewhere else.
Marissa	King	20	Rasmussen Pond has been sacred treasure throughout my entire life. I grew up in the field, and urban development would be detrimental to the environment and many others who use the field as place to enjoy nature in our backyards.
Kelly	Webb	20	Habitat for wildlife. A unique ecosystem that keeps the rural feel of the community. We ha e li ed here almost 20 hears. Since the pandemic we have seen the need for this area grow. Families came out to enjoy nature and break the monotony of the lockdowns. This is a rare gem in Cameron park.
Tina	Barrentine	5	It always has a variety of wildlife there.
Emogene	Haller	3	Especially love the pond with it's swans and the huge old oak trees whose branches come down to the ground, creating a hidden space within. Love having a natural open space so easily accessible from a residential area. Love all the trails!
Judith	Dillon	1	Please help keep our green spaces, they're so important for both our physical and mental health. Thank you!
Judith	Dillon	1	Please help keep our green spaces; they're so important for both our mental and physical health. Thanks.
Catherine	Schwarzb ach	3	It is a well used parkland surrounded by development. Open space land is needed in this area of the county.
Martin	Douglas	20	It's part of a drainage system, it's a home for a lot of local wildlife. Swans, geese, ducks, coyotes, turkeys, rabbits, various reptiles and more. At the very least save the pond and it's immediate surroundings.
Paul	Knierim	1	Rasmussen Pond is the only undeveloped lake/pond in the whole region of Cameron Park / Shingle Springs / Rescue / Diamond Springs / Placerville accessible to the general public. Cameron Park Lake is an artificial highly developed paid access site and Lumsden Pond is basically a homeless camp.
Allan	Binford	1	
MARY LOU	GILES	1	Honestly, though I've lived in CP for over 30 years, I haven't spent time at Rasmussen Pond, though I was aware of the area. My bad! But it sounds like an area that should be spared development. And I'll sure explore it soon!
Elisangela	vigil	6	The natural surrounding, the wild life, such as the swans who call the pond home.
Karen	Guthrie	1	
Patricia	White	1	The swan and pelican habitats
Royal	Flynn	1	
Bryan	Cash	1	the still patricel the avec edisposition extract. Very see blinds are effectively the
Liz	Peralta	8	It's still natural, the area adjacent is natural. You see birds, see others enjoying it. It's valuable as is. We're losing spaces like this, it's sad.
Laurie	Frankel	4	Today was our first walk there but we planned to visit regularly. We'd like to explore the woods area.
Cynthia	Howlett	6	The grinding rocks and the great trails
Linda	Walker	1	It seems natural, wild and has little human caused damage. Swans have their
		•	babies there annually.

Laurie	Becker	4	The first time I saw it, I thought of the "Lake of Shining Waters" in Anne of Green Gables. It is beautiful year round. I love watching the swans raise their families and listening to the red wing blackbirds and frogs sing. If feel connected to our past when I see the Indian grinding stone. It is one place kids can actually play freely outside. I have never seen anywhere with such a variety of wildflowers. My dog knows the paths all around and is never happier than when heading down a red dirt path.
Sheri Mike	Hillis Wright	4 3	Open space and ability to hike locally and walk dog.
Gene	Cobleigh	3	Besides it's unspoiled beauty and resident swans, there a number of large Indian grinding rocks on the path up to the pond that must have historical and cultural significance
Pamela Keith	Jimison Wright	10 15	History, beauty, quietness. Please keep this tranquil area! I introduced a lot of neighborhood kids to fishing on that pond, including my son, who went on to be the president of the bass fishing club at Ponderosa High School. The pond is a critical water source for area wildlife. I have seen the effects of the neighboring development on the pond's ability to sustain throughout dry summer months. Further development will only worsen the water level. I have met a lot of people out there, carrying garbage bags and picking up any discarded trash they saw. Not too many places where that happens.
Carrie	Dickinson	1	Rasmussen pond seems to be one of the few remaining open spaces that is untouched by development. It is a wonderful place to come to feel close to nature and just observe how nature takes its course. Our family has been very appreciative of this open space and the gift of being able to be close to nature since our own lot can only offer so much. Good for our health, good for our soul, good for our community.
Katy	O'Donnell	1	I have not been to the park recently, but spent a lot of time there as a kid. I am an avid supported of open spaces for the community, as such I will gladly support any effort to help preserve as much of this open space as possible. Thanks!
Nancy Laura	Bagdanov Sabins	1 10	A local gem! Please don't destroy. Rasmussen Pond is behind my street. It is such a beautiful area to walk. My grandchildren love that area to run and play. Lots of wildlife call that area home. The pond supplies the wildlife with water which is in short supply in our area. Cameron Park has so few open spaces anymore. This area really is a hidden gem in our area. So sad to think that so many homes will built there. It will drive the wildlife from their home. We will lose a place to go to enjoy nature which is so important. Where I live we don't have a park. Rasmussen Park is lovely and treasured.
Jesselle	Figueroa	10	It is a beautiful area, free for all to enjoy with their families. Cameron park lake has little to offer and costs money to go inside, whereas this is a great natural area for people to walk, run, bike, do photography and it does not cost anything. It would be a shame to have such a beautiful piece of land that is enjoyed by so many in the community to turn into yet another housing development.
Adolfo Kristin	Estrella Widergren	30 25	The lush and diverse vegetation. The wildlife. The tranquility.
Michele Laura	Wells Quigley	10 10	Natural area, close to home, easy and fun hike!

Michael	Shay	30	Beautiful and unique - a natural haven for duck, birds, fish, and annual family of swans. It's a resting spot for geese and other birds during migration.
robertr	taber	10	
Nancy	Herman	1	The ponds, wildlife, and versatile trails
Lori	Mortensen	1	It's a lovely, natural, secluded area with meandering trails, a great spot to walk and photograph birds. It would a shame to see it swallowed up with yet another housing tract.
Sheila	Goetze	1	I think I already filled this out once but wanted to make sure I get future info. Great job on the Fox40 interview, Rob. Keep up the good work! Sheila
Joy	Allen	20	The natural beauty, finding deer, coyote and enjoying the swan family hatch their young till they take flight! It's a speacial, unique place.
John	Horner	15	RP is a great, quiet get away from general life. It is also thw easiest access to nature near my home and work. It is an asset, that needs to be kept. Haven't you seen the disappearing open space?
Dan	McKenzie	20	Open, untouched area that still feels wild. Accessibility (I don't need to drive an hour just to go on a hike). The number of bird species. The fact that it hasn't been "domesticated" yet with sitting benches, cement paths, parking lots and playgrounds.
William	Carlson	27	The pond itself is quite beautiful, and it has a rustic beauty which provides a nice escape from the world for a little while. Every day the land is constantly changing. You can see signs of wildlife, the deer and coyotes moving through the land day or night. What's most beautiful about the land is the dense chapparal adjacent to the oak forests. When walking the trails, you can see under the manzanita bushes, where small bird species find brief refuge. I also remember seeing the prettiest of flowers under the bushes, blooming in the Spring. Overall, the land's beauty makes it unique.
Eliza	Lindquist	1	As a Native American, I strongly believe the grinding rocks and surrounding area should be preserved. In addition, the pond and wildlife areas should be off limits for development of high density housing.
Dave	Hendricks	1	It's so nice to have this pond in such a close location to home owners in Cameron Park. I feel it is part of Rasmussen Park. It is such a wonderful area that is in our town of Cameron Park.
Melody	Hendricks	2	Such a beautiful place in our town of Cameron Park! Hate to see it go away!
craig Jake	clark Herndon	20 10	the unspoiled nature. It has an abundance of wildlife and natural beauty. This is where my family and I exercise and get away from the overcrowded neighborhoods. This is one of our communities last untouched gems. I've also been told it has native American historical grinding stones on the property. Please don't take this away from our community!
Marissa Aileen Lowell	Herndon Norsby Goetze	15 15 2	Wild life. Birds of prey. Our swans black swans. My property backs up to the Rasmussen property being sold. I explicitly purchased the house because of the open land behind the house. I use the open land frequently for hiking and solitude. It would be a crying shame to lose this little slice of nature to a real estate developer. Take a lesson from the city of Folsom who have woven hiking and biking trails throughout the city. It is that kind of forward thinking and planning that makes Folsom a desirable place to live. Let's do the same in Cameron Park.

Damon	Maraschin o	10	Fishing its a beautiful natural fishing spot
Josh	Peterson	6	It's a quiet, low foot traffic, serene area for my family and I to unplug. It's does not need to become dense housing. Not every inch of land needs to be developed!
Kim	Tank	5	Open space, beautiful natural habitat
Nancy	Lovejoy	30	This has been my walking ground of time alone with and nature for 21 years now. I would be devastated if this was replaced by homes. Please leave it alone!!
Dan	Callaghan	1	I always thought it was a nature preserve just because of where it's situated. The wildlife in and around the pond, as well as the Indian grinding stones.
Nick	Nilsen	3	Now that bass lake has been taken over by houses it would be great to keep one that's not.
Joan	Pellegrini	10	We moved to Cameron Park in 1980 to get away from the Bay Area and enjoy a rural environment. We have lost that with all the building that is taking place from Folsom on up the hill. Please stop and let us keep some open and natural space.
Brian Keith	Fogarty Rowe	15 10	Quiet and beautiful area near a community park
ryan	barker	15	it's a beautiful area where me and my friends and many people hang out at. i use it for photography, such a beautiful place to walk
Rich Katherine	Sheppard Hebertson	5 1	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,
Sunny	McQuillin	2	Rasmussen Park is a beautiful area for local residents to enjoy. Please allow open space to exist for us and our children to enjoy. Far too many housing developments are encroaching on open space. When is enough, enough?
Yvonne	Cropp	10	I enjoy the peacefulness it provides, the walk and of course the nature of the area.
Suzanne	McCarthy	30	The nature and beauty
Jane	King	5	We love it. It is one of the nicest nature areas in Cameron Park and we don't want it to be developed. We want it to remain as is for all to enjoy.
Fran	Spero	1	A wonderful Saturday tradition for our family was going to little league games at the community park and taking a hike to the pond together afterwards.
Joe Yvonne	Honoroff HARPER	1 20	The close proximity and easy access, yet it is very naturally secluded. The peacefulness, wildlife, openess and beauty of the pond area. It is my mental readjustment area. I am terrified at the thought of losing this precious area.
Alexa	Rauchfuss	30	Fishing, horseback riding, & bird watching close to home
Kevin	Kinsch	1	Native American Grinding rocks on this property must be protected
Tracy	Andersen	10	No one knows it's there and so much land is being sold nearby for housing developments it's a shame.
Mary	Ling	6	The natural landscape and the wildlife that live there.
Keith Sean	Downie Bechta	10 1	Very little open space in the area for walking, running, biking A pocket of habitat inside an ever encroaching wave of development.
Colette	Thiel	1 1	A pounds of habitat inside all ever enclosioning wave of development.
Dustin Robyn	Weida Loeffler	1	Open space for surrounding residence that is open for public use. Quiet, natural

Sandy	Chapman	10	It's a sanctuary for wild life, their home. Rare plants, trees and bushes grow there. A place to connect with nature.
Paulette Jeffrey	Lewis Askew	1 20	It's beauty It's one of the last privately owned, wild life areas open to the public with unique natural beauty that is home to a plethora of flora and fauna. This beautiful area should be preserved for generations to enjoy. If this land is developed, it's unique features will be lost forever. Please help us preserve this property in its current condition as a day use facility.
Roxie	Lawyer	5	It is one of the remaining areas left for the beauty of nature. It allows wildlife a refuge from constantly encroaching developments. So much for the zero growth promised by realtors to allow a feeling of country living.
Luann	Larson	8	It's a nature reserve that's serene and beautiful, not to mention HISTORICAL. It should be a park or a wetland, not to be disturbed. Please save the area.
Kelly	Jaehn	5	It's a peaceful treasure behind the park. I love walking there and seeing the swans in the pond. My husband runs the trails.
Stephanie	P.	15	This area is apart of my normal biking/walking/jogging loop. So I visit it 2-5 days a week. I find it so calming… I am a young adult now, but I grew up in this area. So it's nostalgic too. I don't know what I'd do if this area was no longer there. Did you know that there's some geocaches in this area too? Adds to the charm of this area!
Elizabeth	Peterson	3	Love the wildlife that changes with the seasons and how peaceful the pond is.
Rachel	Graham	8	The beauty of it and the diverse plants/wildlife. It is also easily accessible and close to where we live.
Erik Elena	Graham Jenkins	8 5	It is a unique place that can't be replaced. The beautiful nature that is now becoming more rare due to all the new development. Many activities you can partake in here.
Linda Michael	Makely Klink	4 25	In such a densely populated area we need to keep open space preserves such as this pond clear and free of development. The wildlife and endangered species of plants and animals in this area would be devastated by this project.
Suzanne	Covington	2	It's beauty during all seasons of the year, It is like an oasis in middle of a residential area.
paige	francis	8	
Brenden Aaron	Robinson Montag	15 1	Good for fishing and romantic dates with my beautiful girlfriend Great area for bird life Nice and close to get into nature
Stephanie	Winn	8	Grass and plants are very unique, and I enjoy watching the wildlife.
Alexandra	Wells	15	Local beauty that is close to my home. I would be very sad if it was gone.
Patrick	Mcgoey	25	The 27 grinding holes that the indigenous people used on the creeks on each side of the pond
Michele	Wells	15	Location!!!
Keagan	Linkul	8	We love taking our kids here to explore. So much learning is done through play and exploration on their terms. Getting our girls out in nature is so important and this is a place close to home where we can study our local environment.
Mark	Redor	1	

Elaine	Green	1	Any land not being developed is unique. I moved here 40 years ago to get away
Judy	johnson	1	from urban sprawl. There used to be so many beautiful, special ares in El Dorado county. So few
Kristen	Poppen	3	are left, and we need to preserve some of them. Like this one. The common space that connects several neighbors. My 77 year old mother lives in a neighborhood near to Rasmussen Park. I like being able to walk through to visit her.
Roy	Carlson	10	Beautiful open space area with Indian grinding rocks, oaks and grasslands, and, of course, the pond. The pond is an amazing feature for wildlife, scenic views, and fishing. We've been visiting the pond for about 20 years. Please preserve some open space in the development.
Cathi	Carnes	2	como opon opaso in tito acvolopino.
Erin	Brooks	15	This place is so special to me and it would break my heart to have it be developed. It's the closest area to me that I can go and let my dogs run free and that I can feel so connected to nature. It would be a shame if this little slice of paradise was taken away from our community.
Sarah Carole	Shaver Katzmann	1 4	It is a haven in a otherwise very populated area!
Meg	ONeill	10	We have been walking our dogs here for the last 20 years. While it is in the midst of neighborhoods, it feels worlds away and you feel truly in touch with nature. It is amazingly beautiful any time of year and such a treasure to escape to right in our own backyard.
Tiffany	Rolston	1	Community cohesion to preserve a natural treasure. I learned through local TV news, print and social media.
Tish	Starr	20	Natural habitat for all sorts of endemic plant life and wildlife. Spring fed year round pond. Multiple year round use for El Dorado county residents
Stefanie	Lyster	3	It's natural habitat, a space to be outdoors, and it's location within our community that connects many neighborhoods with opportunities to be outside recreating.
Cheryl	Kaufman	20	undisturbed wild life (swan family)
Lora	Knippers- Davis	25	The wildlife. The swans that I check on every day I walk PLEASE be mindful about our planet and recognize that once
Tim	Leavy	5	you destroy something as unique as this parcel of land, it is gone forever The wildlife, unique plant species, and walking trails. This is where I come with my dog to clear my mind. It would be a sin for this property to be destroyed because of housing development. Keep our community small or we'II become the next Folsom!
Nicole	Perry	11	The walking trails and beautiful swans that call this place home
Alicia Margaret	Ferguson Fuhrmann	5 1	It has such a wide variety of wildlife and plants.
Margaret	Fuhrmann	21	A place to observe and teach young and old about wildlife interactions that are raising their young in their natural habitat. A place to meet with friends and family PLEASE DON'T DISRUPT & DESTROY THE HOMES OF THESE ANIMALS!
Margaret	Fuhrmann	21	What about the melted snow runoff? All along the back fences on Connery Drive and others, melted snow runs into the retention pond on Connery Drive, which runs into Rasmussen pond. WE MUST KEEP RASMUSSEN POND!

marjorie	read	10	It is a natural pond that is habitat to various small aquatic species and birds. It's proximity to open space of Pine Hill area increases its value. We need to think more about preserving these areas as reliable means to help curb climate change.
Ryan	Yoder	31	It's part of my home, and I will protect it.
Kaelin	Yoder	21	It is an easily accessible way to get outside and enjoy the beautiful and peaceful surroundings. The trails are used everyday as a way to escape the busy hustle of daily life. Additionally, it is home to many wildlife and it would be nice to save some space for them as well:)
Ralph	Fuhrmann	2	In spoiled
Jessica	Booth	8	The mated swans that live one the pond, rare plants and wild life
Dona	Ross	6	Variety of landscape, trails, wildlife in the middle of our residential community. Watching the swans grow up every year is amazing. My dog and I love walk/running Rasmussen Pond area!
Tatiana	Bazzano	25	It is the only natural space within walking distance to my home. Cameron park lake doesn't allow pets. I take my dog on daily walks to this park. It would be devastating to no longer have a beautiful space to go.
Anne	Tignanelli	20	The pond, in my opinion, serves as a eco-system to a wide variety of animals: deer, mute swans, ducks, herons, turtles, and too many birds to name all species.
James	Owens	20	Beautiful
Laura	Beebe	10	The diversity of the flora and fauna
Brian	Kuhlman	10	•
Susanne	Logan	6	Relaxing and peaceful. Real stress reliever.
Jeff	Terron	6	Wide open space to relax
Sue	Logan	7	
Susan	Wallace	1	
Devon	O'Neill	8	I grew up near Rasmussen and have very fond memories of walking around the lake with my grandparents, family, friends, and pups. We would mud slide in the winter and go for evening walks in the summer, and I cannot imagine losing such an amazing community resource!
Denise	Но	1	Beauty and serenity
Karl	Dinwiddie	1	So few nature walks around here, much nicer than the BLM land by Bel Air actually.
		1	Open space for recreation is an important part of the semi-rural character of this area. Preserving this area improves the desirability of living here.
		1	it contains grinding rocks - these cultural resources should be preserved and their historic character enhanced by maintaining this property in its natural stat it

- their historic character enhanced by maintaining this property in its natural stat it provides habitat, movement area, and a safe haven for multiple species Cameron Park has many deer, and with all the development occurring near Bass Lake there seem to be more deer moving in and around the area as their habitat shrinks. Preserving this parcel would provide a permanent habitat area Cameron Park needs more natural areas. There is a lot of uniqueness about Cameron Park and its available natural habitat. More of it needs to be preserved for future generations. Although we need housing, there remain a lot of infill locations that new housing in Cameron Park can go, without needing to disturb large open areas like Rasmussen Pond area and Marble Valley.
- I like taking my kids to the pond to fish. We walk the dog on the trails. The open space has given us the opportunity to be outside and be active and enjoy the nature around us.

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- 25 It's a hidden gem that is not congested with tourist type people. Everyone works together to keep it clean. It's a secret treasure and every time you go, there's something new to see. It houses multiple species of animals that rely on the pond for drinking.
- 15 It's beauty for my family to enjoy

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- 3 It's the perfect place to unwind and ride a few laps on the mountain bike without crazy drivers in huge trucks trying to kill me. As a bonus, the scenery and wildlife is great. I also love seeing the local kids out there training for cross-country running and mountain bike racing, and NOT in front of a TV or gaming console. Every community should have a place like this.
- 20 Easy terrains. Beautiful swans and ducks in the pond. Safe area. Quiet. Dog friendly.
- 15 Natural environment to enjoy and get away from all of the houses.

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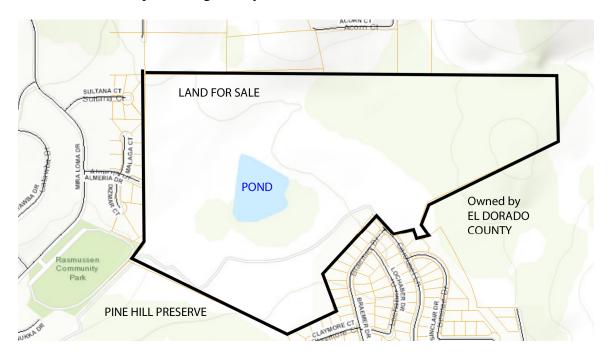
2,764 Visits per month691 Visits per week

33,168 Visits per Year

The Case for the Preservation of Rasmussen Pond and its Meadows as a Nature Park

A very special place in Cameron Park

The property, locally known as "Rasmussen Pond" (aka Pine Hill Reservoir, Pine Hill Preserve Reservoir) is a 104 acre parcel of land east of Rasmussen Park in Cameron Park. Although it is privately owned, over the last 40 years it has been discovered by 100's of local residents as a place "to get away from it all".



MapSource: www.gotnet.net

Rasmussen Pond and the area surrounding it is presently FOR SALE and could have over 400 houses built on it if sold to a land developer.

(reference: EDC zoning R1A and land use HDR)

Asking price is \$6.9 million (\$66,000 per acre). The sale is "Pending" to a land developer. There is no doubt that to recoup the price of 6.9 million dollars the developer plans to build 5 houses to the acre with minimal offsets for trails around the pond and streams. Such development would have many other significant detrimental impacts on the region.

Before the public was notified that it was for sale, the American River Conservancy, the Bureau of Land Management(BLM) and El Dorado County(EDC) were offered the land. They were not interested because it did not have endangered plant species plus the asking price was too high. It could be argued that the asking price is not out of the ballpark considering the price paid by BLM and EDC for the adjoining properties.

EDC purchased the land to the southeast in 2014 for \$18,000 per acre. BLM (PHP) purchased the land to the southwest in 2000 for \$35,000 per acre.



The pond is nestled in a small valley far enough away from roads and housing developments that it provides a feeling of "being in nature" for those who visit. And visit they do - at least 600 per week. They walk (with/without dogs), run, bicycle, photograph, bird watch etc. Many with family and friends.

A group of residents formed to find a way of preserving this natural gem in the heart of Cameron Park. At this time a website has been setup and the potential sale publicized on internet social platforms. In only a few weeks there have been 300+ expressions of support to preserve this area as a nature park. See: www.RescueRasmussenPond.com Many of the visitors to the website have expressed their feelings about the area. A list of names and comments have been provided.

The group has had discussions with County Supervisor Lori Parlin, El Dorado Community Foundation and Cameron Park Community Service District(CP CSD). All have been supportive.

It is of interest to note that, in the latest CP CSD Parks and Recreation Report, that one of the objectives is to alleviate the pressure on Cameron Park Lake. See: Big Picture Strategies in

https://www.cameronpark.org/files/34b0939a6/Park-Improvement-Plan-PPt.pdf

It is not surprising that so many people visit this area. In the Cameron Park CSD Park and Recreation Master Plan 2014, is tabulated the "Predicted Activity Preference" of residents. Of the 37 activities surveyed, the top of the list is Bird watching 68%, closely followed, in order by Backpacking/Hiking 60%, Bicycling - mountain in/road 57%, Education courses 55%, and Photography 55%.

ref: https://www.cameronpark.org/files/1e8833a15/Cameron-Park-CSD-Parks-and-Recreation-Master-Plan-Update-Final-2014-05-14.pdf p42)

It is most likely that if it was public land, and advertised as a park by the CP CSD, many more people would visit as it is within walking and cycling distance of more than 1000 homes and a 5 to 10 minute drive from most of Cameron Park.

Even though it is private land, many of the trails are described on websites such as: alltrails.com, trailforks.com, eldoradohiking.com. Also it has multiple entry points with good off street and on street parking that do not interfere with nearby residents.

The attraction is the numerous "social" trails through an area containing grassland, open oak forest, high chaparral, riparian, aquatic shore and freshwater ecological systems. More than 60 bird species have been identified in the area (see www.ebird.org) plus numerous other wildlife, plants and significant Native American artifacts. It can be visited for a peaceful half hour stroll or a rigorous half day hike.

The land parcel is sandwiched between two other parcels which are or are soon to be, part of the Pine Hill Preserve. These publicly owned parcels have been purchased for \$1,817,00 with government agency funds. Unfortunately, these parcels are in dense woodlands and have steep rugged terrain. Although they contain the rare and endangered plant species, they do not have the variety of nature, view sheds and peacefulness that is attractive to the general public.

The objective of the Rescue Rasmussen Pond group is to preserve this area AS IS and as it has been used and maintained by the public for at least 40 years. NO facilities such as graded paths, NO playgrounds, NO park benches, NO picnic tables, NO toilets. NO trash cans etc. etc. Some improvements, maintenance and trash clearing has been carried out by volunteer residents over the years.

There are some "natural" parks in Cameron Park but they are a only few acres in extent and do not offer anything like the "nature" experience of visiting Rasmussen Pond.

In short, this area would make a great "Nature Park" for the community of Cameron Park and surrounding regions. As a nature park, its natural diversity and uniqueness would be a resource for nature study by local schools and a natural area facility for groups like the the Boy Scouts, church groups, etc

Cameron Park: "A Special Place to Live"

The preservation of Rasmussen Pond would certainly show that Cameron Park lives up to its motto.

To view photos that show the great natural beauty of Rasmussen Pond and its Meadows visit the website: www.RescueRasmussenPond.com